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1. (U) This replies to referenced message which requested details on use of AGAVENCO spray system in SVN.
2. (S) Eight AGAVENCO spray systems for use in the UH series helicopters have been ordered for an initial issue of two systems to each MACV Corps Advisory Group. Latest estimate on delivery indicates these systems will be available in approximately 90 days.
3. (U) The AGAVENCO system may be installed or removed from the UH1D helicopter in about thirty minutes. This installation requires no alteration to the helicopter. Therefore, any available UH1D helicopter may be used for herbicide spray sorties and returned to other operations upon completion of the herbicide mission.
4. (S) Helicopter spray sorties will be flown to supplement the C-123 aircraft in those approved areas where small targets are inaccessible to the larger aircraft. Currently, there is a

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a substantial number of such targets in approved projects and, in all likelihood, this number will increase. A major use of helicopters in the early destruction phase will be to spray rice seed beds and destroy the rice before it is transplanted. These beds are usually small plots, and often located in isolated areas. Destruction of these seed beds is the most fruitful method to disrupt food production. In the defoliation phase, helicopters will be used to spray around base camps and in smaller areas which are not lucrative targets for the C-123 aircraft.

5. (1) The helicopter systems can apply the same herbicides at the same dosage rates as the C-123 equipment. The helicopter spray is expected to be just as effective as the present C-123 aerial delivery method. Small plot targets can be sprayed more selectively by helicopter with increased accuracy and a savings of herbicide.

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